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In re Application of:

TETER, Beverly B.

Examiner: Weddington, K.

Serial No.: 09/720,136

Group Art Unit: 1614

Filed: March 16, 2001

Title: USE OF OILS HAVING A HIGH LAURIC ACID CONTENT AS AN ANIMAL FEED

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 16, 2002, please amend the above identified application as indicated below and consider the remarks which follow.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 23 and 37 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 10, 22, 29, 31, 33, 36 and 38 as follows:

10. (Amended) An animal feed composition comprising
crude protein and an anti-bacterial fatty acid component,
wherein the anti-bacterial fatty acid component is a high lauric acid natural
oil, or a derivative thereof having high lauric acid content.